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Application of:
DARLING, W. BRIAN et al.
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ROTATIONAL FLOAT FOR ROTATING
EQUIPMENT

Group Art Unit No. 3721

Examiner: Nash, Brian D.

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant, through his attorneys, hereby petitions under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) for a one-month extension of time in which to file a response to office action of June 3, 2003. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17, a check in the amount of \$55.00 is enclosed herewith for the one-month fee.

In the event that the foregoing request or fee calculation is incorrect, this Petition should be construed as one for sufficient time to permit timely filing of the present reply.

Any additional fee which is due in connection with this Petition should be applied against our Deposit Account No. 19-0522.

Respectfully submitted,

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